

# मुख्य निवडणूक अधिकारी, महाराष्ट्र राज्य यांचे कार्यालय

निवडणूक प्राप्त्य

क्रमांक: सीईएल-२८०४/१२३६/३३,  
सामान्य प्रशासन विभाग,  
मंत्रालय, मुंबई-४०० ०३२,  
दिनांक : १२/३/२००४.

प्रति,

- १) सर्व अप्पर मुख्य सचिव/प्रधान सचिव/सचिव.
- २) सर्व विभागीय आयुक्त.
- ३) सर्व जिल्हाधिकारी व जिल्हा निवडणूक अधिकारी.


विषय:- सार्वत्रिक लोकसभा निवडणूक २००४.

आदर्श आचार संहितेबाबत.

महोदय,

सोबत भारत निवडणूक आयोगाच्या उपरोक्त विषयावरील क्रमांक : ४३७/६/१६/  
२००४, दिनांक ५/३/२००४ च्या पत्राची प्रत व सदरपत्राची प्रत सोबत आपणाकडे पाठितीसाठी  
व योग्य त्या कार्यवाहीसाठी पाठवित आहे. आवणांस विनंती आहे की, आपल्या अधिनस्त सर्व  
कार्यालयाना या पत्राच्या प्रती योग्य त्या सूचनांसह पाहिती व अनुपालनास्तव पाठवण्यात याव्या.

आपला,

  
मुख्य निवडणूक अधिकारी,  
महाराष्ट्र राज्य, यांचेकरिता.

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By Special messenger

**ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA**

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

No. 437/6/16/2004

Dated: 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2004

To

The Secretary to the govt. of India,  
Ministry of Rural Development  
Department Of Rural Development  
Krishi Bhawan,  
New Delhi-110001.

DJMS राज्य मन्त्रिमण्डल कार्यालय

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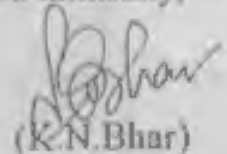
Subject: Model Code of Conduct

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter no. PS/JS (RL)/04-216 dated 24-2-2004 and to state that after taking into consideration all relevant factors, the Commission has decided that: -

- (1) The work which has already been started on ground may be continued
- (2) No fresh work shall be started till the completion of the elections and
- (3) Tenders are not to be finalized during the period of elections.

Yours faithfully,


(K.N. Bhar)  
Under Secretary

Copy to- All Chief Secretaries / Chief Electoral Officers alongwith a copy of the above referred letter for compliance



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भारत सरकार

कृषि भवन, नई दिल्ली-110001

Ministry of Rural Development

Deptt. of Rural Development

Government of India

Kisan Bhavan, New Delhi-110001

D.O.No. PS/TC(RD)/CH-216

February 24, 2004

SUBJECT : Model Code of Conduct and continuation of programme activities under PMGSY

Dear Agry.

Please refer to the Ministry's D.O. letter No. 17015/1/2004-GC dated 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2004 addressed to you. As you are aware the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme for providing rural connectivity. Copy of the PMGSY Guidelines are enclosed herewith. The main features include the following :

- The proposals for the road works are cleared by the State Level Standing Committee headed by the Chief Secretary. Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) are checked by independent State Technical Agencies such as IITs, RECs etc.
- Proposals of the State are considered by the Inter-Ministerial Empowered Committee chaired by Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development and Adviser(Transport), Planning Commission, representative of Ministry of Road Transport & Highways and Director, CRRI, etc. are members of the Committee.
- After clearance, the works are put to open tender by the State Government according to the Standard Bidding Document for PMGSY and works are to be completed within a period of 9 months.

2. The stages of execution commencing with the clearance by the Ministry to the Annual Proposals comprises

- Issue of Notices Inviting Tenders, specifying date and time of closing of receipts of bids and opening of tenders as per Standard Bidding Document provisions.
- Finalisation on the basis of lowest qualifying bid and award of work
- Issue of Work Orders after Contract agreement
- Retendering in case of inadequate response

Decisions for the purpose are taken at the level of the Programme Implementation Unit (PIU) or the Executing Agency/Department as per pattern of the State.

3. Some State Governments have queried whether the PMGSY Scheme will be affected by the Model Code of Conduct to be brought into force by the Election Commission of India. In this connection, it may be pointed out that the process of selection of the road works qualifying under the PMGSY criteria and preparation of DPRs is a well regulated and time consuming process and proposals coming to the Empowered Committee are accordingly those which have been put through a systematic procedure starting many months earlier. The Empowered Committee is an official Inter-Ministerial Committee. The PMGSY is a regular Centrally Sponsored Programme and the works have to be tendered and awarded in such a way that the earth work and Water bound Macadam (WBM) needs to be completed before the end of the monsoon for proper results. As an abundant precaution, the State Governments have been advised not to refer any matters relating to tendering and award of works for decision of the political executive/elected representative (if that was the practice) during the period of the Model Code of Conduct.

4. Accordingly, the Election Commission may kindly confirm that execution of annual PMGSY proposals of States cleared before coming into force of the Model Code of Conduct may be continued as per the PMGSY Guidelines (subject to such conditions that the Election Commission of India may like to lay down) so that the earth work and WBM is completed before the end of the monsoon. Needless to add, there will be no inaugurations, announcements, laying of foundation stones etc. by public figures/individuals during the period that the Model Code of Conduct is in force.

*with regards*

Yours sincerely,

*S. Vijay Kumar*  
(S. Vijay Kumar)

Shri A.N. Jha  
Deputy Election Commissioner  
Election Commission of India  
NEW DELHI